## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER

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## ORDER OF DISMISSAL-SETTLED

This is an action arising under the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1324a (INA), in which the United States Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) is the complainant and Ursula Barrios, an individual d/b/a Ursula Fashions is the respondent. On October 28, 1996, INS filed a complaint consisting of three counts with the Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer (OCAHO). Respondent's answer was timely filed on December 26, 1996. During a telephonic prehearing conference held on February 20, 1997, complainant made an oral motion to amend the complaint to change the designation of respondent from Ursula Fashions, Inc. to Ursula Barrios, an individual d/b/a Ursula Fashions. The motion was granted.

On April 17, 1997, the parties filed a Motion to Dismiss together with a Settlement Agreement signed by both parties which resolves all issues raised by the complaint. The entire record in this matter consists of the Complaint, the Notice of Hearing, the answer, an Order Setting Date and Time of Prehearing Conference, a Memorandum of Prehearing Conference and Order Granting Amendment of Complaint, and the Motion to Dismiss and attached Settlement Agreement.

Under § 68.14(a) of the OCAHO Rules of Practice and Procedure:

- (a) Where the parties or their authorized representatives or their counsel have entered into a proposed settlement agreement, they shall:
  - (1) Submit to the presiding Administrative Law Judge:
    - (i) The proposed agreement containing consent findings; and

(ii) A proposed decision and order;

or (emphasis added)

(2) Notify the Administrative Law Judge that the parties have reached a full settlement and have agreed to dismissal of the action. Dismissal of the action shall be subject to the approval of the Administrative Law Judge.

28 C.F.R. § 68.14.

In this case, I find that the parties have complied with the requirements of 28 C.F.R. § 68.14(a)(2). I have reviewed the Settlement Agreement, and I find that its terms are appropriate pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 68.14(a).

I further find that under the terms of the Agreement, and pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 68.14:

- 1. Respondent has withdrawn its request for hearing on the merits,
- 2. this matter is dismissed with prejudice in that respondent will pay a civil monetary fine in the total amount of \$2,430.00 in accordance with the schedule and the manner set forth in the Settlement Agreement,
- 3. it is appropriate to grant the Motion to Dismiss in the instant proceeding based upon the parties' notification made pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 68.14(a)(2), and
- 4. the Complaint is dismissed.

## SO ORDERED

Dated and entered this 30th day of April, 1997.

Ellen K. Thomas Administrative Law Judge

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 30th day of April, 1996, I have served copies of the foregoing Order of Dismissal-Settled on the following persons at the addresses indicated:

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